# City of West Lafayette, Indiana Board of Public Works and Safety MINUTES

AUGUST 4, 2015 8:30 a.m. Morton Community Center Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Sana G. Booker, Brooke E. Folkers, Tanuja R. Sheth, and Jonathan C. Speaker. Mayor Dennis presided.

## 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. July 28, 2015, Meeting

Ms. Sheth moved to accept the minutes of the July 28, 2015, Board of Works meeting. Ms. Booker seconded the motion

The motion was adopted.

## 2. NEW BUSINESS

a. <u>Elevations: Firefighter Second Class – Jeffrey Lyons and Cody Stacy – Fire</u>
Fire Chief Heath requested approval to elevate Jeffrey Lyons and Cody Stacy to Firefighter Second class effective August 18, 2015, with a bi-weekly salary of \$2,026.90.

Ms. Booker moved that the elevations for Jeffrey Lyons and Cody Stacy be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

b. <u>Hire: Property & Evidence Manager/Program Director – Cynthia A. Marion – Police</u> Deputy Police Chief Leroux requested approval to hire Cynthia A. Marion as Property & Evidence Manager/Program Director effective August 10, 2015, with a bi-weekly salary of \$1,827.71. He stated that Ms. Marion's prior experience as a manager in the Police Department and in already operating some of the programs makes her very qualified for the position.

Ms. Booker moved that the hire of Cynthia A. Marion be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

## c. Transfer of Ownership: K-9 Rico to Officer Brewer – Police

Mayor Dennis spoke about the retirement ceremony for K-9 Rico at last night's Council meeting.

Deputy Chief Leroux requested approval to declare K-9 Rico as surplus in his retirement and to transfer ownership to his handler, Officer Michael Brewer, effective August 3, 2015.

Mr. Speaker moved that the transfer of ownership of K-9 Rico be approved. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

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The motion was adopted.

## d. Street Closing: Garden Street - Police

Police Sergeant Philhower requested approval to close a portion of Garden Street on August 23, 2015, between 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. This is for a Pre-Labor Day picnic and block party for the Northwestern Heights Neighborhood Association.

Ms. Folkers moved that the street closure for Garden Street be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

# e. <u>Transfer of Vehicle: Bucket Truck to Parks Department – Street</u>

Street Commissioner Payne requested approval to transfer a 1993 Ford Bucket Truck (VIN #2FDLF47M6PCB07175) from the Street Department to the Parks Department.

Mr. Speaker moved that the vehicle transfer be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

## f. Hire: Driver/Collector/Processor – Kent Vice – Sanitation

Commissioner Payne requested approval to hire Kent Vice as a Driver/Collector/Processor effective August 5, 2015, with a bi-weekly salary of \$1,291.69.

Ms. Booker moved that the hire of Kent Vice be approved. Ms. Sheth seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

## g. Claims

i. AP Docket \$13,027.19ii. AP Docket \$1,232.15iii. PR Docket \$114,970.56

Ms. Sheth moved that the claims be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

#### h. Informational Items

# i. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

## i. Other Items

▶ Facilities Director Clark reported that Mr. Speaker's son will be throwing a ceremonial first pitch for Arni's at the Colt World Series. He reported that we had our Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) audit on July 16. We received our information packet back from the inspector, and we received a gold star. He asked Assistant City Engineer Susong to speak more about that.

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Mr. Susong reported that the IDEM audit was for our minimum control measure for municipal operations and good housekeeping. It also involved an inspection at the Street Department. He stated that this essentially says that as we do our operations, including while Police and Fire are out and all of our trash trucks, we are doing it in a clean, efficient, and environmentally conscious way pertaining to stormwater. He explained that we do quarterly inspections of each one of our facilities, as required by IDEM. He spoke of how this was a team effort in training and effort, and he expressed his appreciation to the department heads and staff.

Mayor Dennis stated that Mr. Susong deserves a lot of credit, and thanked him for his ongoing efforts.

▶ Public Works Director Buck reported on construction projects. He reported that Happy Hollow Road is progressing. There are some design changes being made to the storm system, so there will appear to be a lull in activity. He reported that Cumberland Avenue is progressing, and we expect the new traffic signal to be turned on this week and the intersection will open. He reported that work is wrapping up on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Street project and on South Grant Street. He reported that there will be a lot of activity in the intersection of Northwestern Avenue and Grant Street for the new island going in for pedestrian refuge. Mayor Dennis and Director Buck discussed that Purdue students return August 24 and West Lafayette schools start August 12.

#### 3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Speaker moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Mayor Dennis adjourned the meeting.